1	2	3	4	5
12.	Kerala	4.1	4.0	4.1
13.	Madhya Pradesh	4.1	3.9	3.9
14.	Chattisgarh	1.7	1.8	NA
15.	Maharashtra	14.7	14.8	15.7
16.	Manipur	0.2	0.2	0.2
17.	Meghalaya	0.2	0.2	0.2
18.	Mizoram	0.1	0.1	0.1
19.	Nagaland	0.2	0.2	NA
20.	Orissa	2.7	2.7	2.8
21.	Punjab	3.7	3.7	3.8
22.	Rajasthan	4.4	4.2	4.4
23.	Sikkim	0.1	0.1	0.1
24.	Tamil Nadu	7.6	7.6	7.6
25.	Tripura	0.3	0.3	0.3
26.	Uttar Pradesh	9.4	9.5	9.6
27.	Uttarakhand	0.9	0.9	0.9
28.	West Bengal	7.9	8.0	8.4
29.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.1	0.1	NA
30.	Chandigarh	0.3	0.3	NA
31.	Delhi	3.4	3.5	3.6
32.	Pondicherry	0.2	0.2	0.2

Source : Calculated from the data in Annexure I.

Outcome of flagship programme

1187. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has directed the advisor in the Planning Commission to undertake visits to the States to assess the outcome and response to Government's flagship programmes;

(b) if so, whether the advisors were also directed to submit feedback report to the Prime Minister;

(c) whether Government has received the feedback by the Planning experts;

(d) if so, the main points mentioned in the report;

(e) to what extent the schemes have been successfully implemented; and

(f) whether any improvement is being considered to achieve the aims and objects of these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): (a) and (b) In May 2008, Planning Commission had requested its Advisers to visit States to review 12 key flagship Centrally Sponsored Schemes and submit reports to the Member, Planning Commission. However, in July 2008 it was decided that Members would visit the States to review Bharat Nirman and other flagship programmes and give their reports to Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission.

(c) Members, Planning Commission have visited various States including Chhattisgarh, Goa, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Jharkhand and submitted reports to the Deputy Chairman regarding implementation of flagship programmes e.g. Prime Minister's Grameen Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Indira Awas Yojana (IAY), Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP), National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS), National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Mid-day Meal etc.

(d) to (f) The pace of progress in implementation of flagship programme varies across States, some of which have displayed appreciable improvement. During discussions, Members have advised State Governments on implementation of schemes including, addressing the problem of teacher absenteeism and poor quality of education in SSA, promoting institutional delivery under NRHM, monitoring the quality of construction and maintenance of roads under PMGSY and undertaking independent evaluation of schemes from time to time.

Seajack of Indian merchant ships

†1188. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:
SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of merchant ships alongwith their crew members have been seajacked recently by pirates in African marine region;

(b) whether Indian nationals also formed a part of the crew members;

(c) if so, what measures are being taken to rescue them; and

(d) the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.